

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION (JOINT OR SOLA)
(Under 37 CFR § 1.63; with Power of Attorney)
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:
 My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,
 I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first
 and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is
 sought on the invention ENTITLED:

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the specification of which

X is attached hereto.

_____ was filed on _____ as Application Serial No. _____
 with amendment(s) through _____ (if applicable, give dates).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including
 the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me
 to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s)
 for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or
 inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

<u>Prior Foreign Application(s)</u>	(list additional applications on separate page):	<u>Priority Claimed:</u>
<u>Number:</u>	<u>Country:</u>	<u>Yes</u> <u>No</u>
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed
 below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United
 States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the
 duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to
 patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56, which became available between the filing
 date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<u>Prior U.S. Application(s)</u>	(list additional applications on separate page):	<u>Status (patented, pending, abandoned):</u>
<u>Appln. Ser. Number:</u>	<u>Filed (Day/Month/Year):</u>	

I hereby appoint WILLIAM S. FROMMER, Registration No. 25,506, and DENNIS M. SMID, Registration No. 34,930
 or their duly appointed associate, my attorneys, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this
 application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to file continuation and divisional applications thereof, to
 receive the Patent, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office and in the Courts in connection
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on
 information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that
 willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of
 Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application
 or any patent issued thereon.

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Signature: _____

Full name of sole or first inventor: _____

Residence: _____

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Date: 20 July 2001

Signature: _____

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